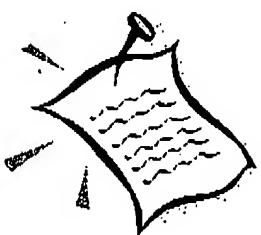


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In response to the final Office Action dated August 22, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration on the basis of the following:

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